

REMARKS

This responds to the Office Action dated November 5, 2004.

Claims 11-13 are cancelled.

Independent claim 1 has been amended to include the nitrous oxide delivery ports being characterized by having been formed by a ball nose end mill and a rectilinear bit. This is similar to the limitation of provisionally allowed claim 8.

Claims 2-9 refer back to and depend from independent claim 1. These claims should be allowable for the same reason as claim 1.

Independent claim 10 has been amended to include each of the nitrous oxide delivery ports having a first bore intersecting its said internal passage and a second bore intersecting its said external surface, said second bore being of larger breadth than said first bore and configured to direct nitrous oxide in a direction to flow primarily toward the inlet of one of the runners. This is not disclosed in the references applied. Also, the larger breadth of the first bore which is on the external surface of the nitrous oxide injection tube allows rapid expansion and acceleration of the nitrous oxide while still controlling the direction of movement of the nitrous oxide toward the runner. This is not disclosed in the cited prior art.

Applicant submits that the claims of the application adequately distinguish over the references of record in the application. Applicant thanks the Examiner for the provisional allowance of claim 8, and submits that all of the claims of the application should now be in condition for allowance. Appropriate action is courteously solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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